

TENTH YEAR.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 26, 1893.

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READY FOR THE FRAY

The Republicans Finish the Field of Tickets.

MAYOR STUART RENOMINATED

One or Two Agreeable Surprises in the Convention—The Proceedings in Detail.

CITY TICKET.

For Mayor—WILLIAM J. STUART.
 For City Clerk—A. E. ROBINSON.
 For Treasurer—MAYOR H. SORRICK.
 For Controller—W. H. VAN LEEUWEN.
 For Marshal—J. L. LEWIS.
 Board of Review—W. C. MELIS.
 Judge Superior Court—HENRY B. FALLASS.

STATE TICKET.

For Justice of the Supreme Court—FRANK A. HOOKER.
 For Regents of the State University—FRANK W. FLETCHER, HERMAN KIEFER.

COUNTY TICKET.

For Judges of the Circuit Court for the County of Kent—WILLIAM E. GROVE, MONSIEUR TAGGART.
 For School Commissioners—A. HAMLIN SMITH.

WARD TICKETS.

First Ward.
 Supervisor—HENDRICKS LEPPINK.
 Aldermen—GILBERT H. DAGRAAF, CHARLES BAKER.

Second Ward.

Supervisor—EDWIN L. LOMIS.
 Aldermen—DAVID FORBES, NATHANIEL A. WEEKES.

Third Ward.

Supervisor—JOHN BENJAMIN.
 Aldermen—LEWIS G. DENTON, JOSEPH W. LINDSAY.

Fourth Ward.

Supervisor—EUGENE E. ALLEN.
 Aldermen—ISAAC R. MATTHEWSON, GEORGE E. LADY.

Fifth Ward.

Supervisor—EDWIN WADE.
 Aldermen—FREDERICK R. DODGE, JACOB STEEDWATER.

Sixth Ward.

Supervisor—JACOB A. SMITH.
 Aldermen—PATRICK J. MAHON, MARSHALL BURSHAM.

Seventh Ward.

Supervisor—CLAUDE F. JOHNSON.
 Aldermen—LEWIS G. DENTON, CORNELIUS MASTENBROOK.

Eighth Ward.

Supervisor—MAX BRADY.
 Aldermen—THOMAS J. LUCAS, HENRY COLWELL.

Ninth Ward.

Supervisor—WILLIAM A. COWLES.
 Aldermen—HENRY S. WILDER, GEORGE E. LADY.

Tenth Ward.

Supervisor—ALAN LINDMULDER.
 Aldermen—WILLIAM A. SHAW, JEREMIAH BOZEMAN.

Eleventh Ward.

Supervisor—FREDMONT E. SKEELS.
 Aldermen—JOHN A. VERKERKE, JOSEPH S. PILGRIM.

Twelfth Ward.

Supervisor—SIDNEY I. SHAW.
 Aldermen—NATHANIEL R. EISEN, VAN TUBERGEN.

ENTHUSIASM RAMPANT.

The Lincoln Club Filled With Representative Citizens.

"It's a hammer, isn't it?" demanded a fat delegate as he uttered the perspiration from his brow after yelling his left lung loose at the top.

The fat delegate was unquestionably right. It was a hammer. It began humming early and continued to do business until Palm Sunday was almost ready to make its entrance.

The republican club of Grand Rapids bubbled over with old time republican enthusiasm at the city convention last night. It was one of the old-fashioned republican mass meetings that you've all read about. Long before 7 o'clock the delegates and members of the party began to assemble in the rooms of the Lincoln club on Pearl street. By 8 o'clock it would have been impossible to drop a pin from the ceiling without hitting some prominent republican on the head. The traditional candles in the box had a first floor with a built in room for the speaker and a space allotted to anybody that had allowed his way into the hall.

It was a representative gathering, too. There were prominent lawyers and eminent physicians, leading merchants, and hard working mechanics. In fact, every class of society was represented, except the tough and the tough, who were not there.

There were a few democrats present, however. They came up to see the winning ticket nominated and incidentally to give credit to the occasion. Senator Brown was one of them and was warmly greeted by the delegates. His democratic vote, frank in the spirit of republicanism as the parched earth absorbs dew. But he couldn't stand too much of it, however, and finally withdrew from the hall.

All in Good Humor.

The friends of all the candidates were an hour early, and they worked with all the enthusiasm of a schoolboy who thinks he is in for a prize. The delegates to the convention were conversational and made no promises that they were not sure of being able to fulfill. The prevailing sentiment was in favor

of nominating "the best man," and every body went into the convention imbued with that spirit. It was after 8 o'clock before the crowd began to quiet down and make preparations to nominate the ticket.

MAYOR STUART WINS.

The Convention Organized—The Mayor Nominated by Rising Vote.

Just after 8 o'clock the convention was called to order by Chairman of the City Committee Dwight Goss. He said: "We are met here to nominate a republican ticket. When last we met here we met in a democratic state, in a democratic city. We now meet in a republican state, county and city. I call to preside over you Dr. Griswold."

Dr. Griswold assumed the chair with these words: "Party organization is necessary. We have met here to place in nomination a ticket of men so pre-eminently good for the city. We believe there are good men in all parties, but that there are more good men in the republican party than in any other. We have, therefore, plenty of timber from which to draw candidates. Some of you will be disappointed because you cannot all get the places for which you strive. You who are defeated must be content with two tickets in the field. I wish you to place in nomination men who are equal to any man on any of the other tickets."

By Mr. Sessions—That Dwight Goss act as secretary. He was not a delegate and declined.

By Mr. Snow—That Oscar Wilmarth act as secretary. Carried.

By Mr. Wessellus—That a committee of five be appointed on permanent organization and order of business. Carried.

The chair appointed S. Wessellus, F. Skeels, J. W. Holcomb, J. W. Husted and Henry Hookema.

By Mr. Sproul—That a committee of three be appointed on credentials. Carried.

The chair appointed Robert Sproul, R. W. Merrill and J. A. S. Verdie.

The committee on credentials reported the list printed in THE HERALD substantially correct.

The delegates.

Following is a list of the delegates elected at the ward caucuses:

First—C. Stryker, Martin Telder, Henry Hookema, Andrew Bouna, Albert Stryker.

Second—P. C. Campbell, F. A. Rodgers, J. P. Moran, Robert Sproul, P. DePaster.

Third—H. F. Walsh, Schuyler Graves, L. T. McGrath, A. Bouterse, C. K. Seymour.

Fourth—Col. P. V. Fox, Henry E. Chase, J. A. S. Verdie, Oscar A. Wells and Dr. J. B. Griswold.

Fifth—J. T. Husted, Thomas C. Winner, Eugene Richmond, Joseph Potter, Jr., and Keyne Van Hoff.

Sixth—John W. Holcomb, Calvin Elison, Jappe DeBoer, Anthony Quist, Minne Lee, and others.

Seventh—Lewis F. Hintz, L. C. Dewey, John Peoria, C. S. Peterson, Charles Fasoldt.

Eighth—S. L. King, W. L. Adams, O. T. Wilmarth, Henry Hartman and S. A. Clark.

Ninth—Fred T. Rand, L. C. Stow, Frank W. Leonard, Robert Merrill, Abram Perlee.

Tenth—William Alden Smith, Louis K. Bishop, S. Wessellus, Rodney Sessions and Daniel Spring.

Eleventh—S. S. Chamberlain, Nicholas West, George Ten Brock, Cornelius Baker, P. E. Skeels.

Twelfth—W. T. Johnston, G. W. Law, G. W. Dillenback, James L. Rumsey, John Knowlen.

The committee on permanent organization and order of business recommended that the organization be made permanent and reported an order of business. The report was adopted.

By Colonel Fox—That citizens who are mingling with the delegates retire

and give the delegates room to do their work. The motion was not put as those not delegates retired as far as the dense crowd would permit.

By Mr. Husted—That two tellers be appointed. Carried.

The chair appointed J. W. Husted and William T. Johnston. Officers and tellers were sworn in by Dwight Goss, and nominations for mayor were called for.

Mayor Stuart Nominated.

By Mr. Session—The Chair and Gentlemen: I am an old republican as any of you. I have stood by this old party for forty years. I cast my first vote in 1841, and I have stuck by the old party ever since. I wish to tell you whom I prefer for mayor. He has been before you for years. He has done his duty bravely and well as a mayor, but as a republican gathering anywhere in the state.

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dressing the chair, said: "It is an honor as well as a pleasure to present to the convention its candidate for mayor, the Hon. William J. Stuart."

There was another wild outburst of applause, which continued for several minutes.

By the chair—The mayor—our mayor. By Mayor Stuart—Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: In response to your notice that I am again nominated as your candidate for mayor, I hardly know what to say to you. One year ago when I stood before you on a similar occasion, I said you would have to excuse me from assuming this responsibility again. I believe that was the proper thing to do. I have been urged so much that I have decided to yield to the wishes of my fellow citizens. (Applause.) Let the band play and the processions start. I'm in it. I do not wish you to think for a moment that I do not realize the honor of the place. My only hesitancy in assuming the responsibility of the place is that I am not better off pecuniarily. I wish you to realize that we have no walk-away in the election, and that it's not a matter of concern only to us who are on the ticket. I wish you to take off your coats and see that the ticket you nominate is ratified at the polls. I need make no promises to you of what I will do when I am re-elected. The work of the

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By F. A. Rodgers—The general who acknowledges the strength of his adversary is a good general. We must put in nomination a man equally as strong as his opponent. I wish to name a man known as a winner. Put him on the ticket and you'll find him a political runner. The man I propose to name was at the head of that marching club of traveling men which did such splendid work in the fall of '88, George W. Owen. By H. E. Walbridge—I have been requested to present a candidate. The republican party is always full of enthusiasm. It imbues a desire to perpetuate the name and history of that party. Now and then it encounters obstacles, but the republican party has overcome all obstacles. We desire to present a name of one who does not reside on the east side, who is popular on the west side and well and favorably known in the city. He is a vote getter, but he has



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HENRY B. FALLASS.

He is Nominated for Judge After a Sharp Struggle.

When the mayor had been nominated the selection of a candidate for judge of the superior court was proceeded with.

By H. E. Chase—That an informal ballot be ordered. Carried.

Before the ballots had been cast William Alden Smith moved that the wards be called in their numerical order for the presentation of candidates.

By Frank E. Rodgers—As an amendment, that the tellers proceed to collect the ballots. The amendment was carried and the first informal ballot resulted:

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By Mr. Wessellus—I ask for the result of the ballot with the sixty-two votes in the hat. I withdraw that motion.

By F. A. Rodgers—That a division be made here of the citizens from the delegates. Carried.

By the Chair—Another ballot will be taken.

By F. A. Rodgers—That the roll of the convention be called, and that each delegation come forward and deposit the ballot. Carried.

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By R. A. Merrill—That the convention proceed to a formal ballot.

By Mr. Wessellus—Inasmuch as there were no nominations made for this office, I withdraw the name of Elmer E. Stanton and propose in its stead the name of Willie I. Perkins.

By F. A. Rodgers—That the convention proceed with a formal ballot. Carried.

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By Mr. Wessellus—That the vote be made unanimous. Carried.

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LEWIS AND MELIS.

They Capture the Board of Review and Marshal Nominations.

The Chair—Gentlemen, the next office to fill is the office of marshal. Prepare your ballots.

By Mr. Sessions—Gentlemen, I will not take your time for more than a minute. I wish to propose the name of a man from my own ward. He is chairman of the ward committee and a laboring man. He works with his hands the same as I do. (Laughter.) He is a laboring man, I say, and his hands show it. You cannot do better than nominate James L. Lewis for the place.

By Mr. Seymour—I wish to place before you a man from the third ward. He is a man known to you for the past twenty-five or thirty years and will add strength to your ticket. I nominate L. C. Remington.

The ballots were counted and the result was:

J. L. Lewis..... 45
 L. C. Remington..... 10
 Paul Marie..... 5

Mr. Lewis was declared the nominee. The Chair—Prepare your ballots for member of the board of review and equalization.

By Dr. Locher—The first ward is needed. We would like to have our ward represented on the city ticket. We have a man who possesses all the good qualities which all the men mentioned tonight are said to possess. The first ward has never had a member of the board of review. I present to you the name of W. C. Melis.

By Mr. Skeels—I nominate C. H. Van Anden.

Freeman Lathrop of the tenth and James Vandersluis of the fourth were also nominated. The ballot was taken with this result:

W. C. Melis..... 27
 C. H. Van Anden..... 10
 Freeman Lathrop..... 10
 James Vandersluis..... 13

By Mr. Rodgers—I move we proceed to a formal ballot. Carried. The ballot showed the following result:

W. C. Melis..... 26
 C. H. Van Anden..... 8
 Freeman Lathrop..... 11
 James Vandersluis..... 2

Mr. Melis was declared the choice of the convention.

The wards were called to name a city committee. The following persons were chosen:

First Ward..... Henry Hookema
 Second Ward..... Robert Sproul
 Third Ward..... Dr. S. C. Graves
 Fourth Ward..... Oscar A. Wells